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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1103
By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Thomas Marlin for his honorable and astute service to the people of Sumner County and the State of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Marlin is one such exemplary public servant who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected member of the Sumner community, Mr. Marlin has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to his community; and

WHEREAS, a native Tennessean, he was born and raised in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Marlin bravely and admirably served his country in the United States Navy from 1952-1956; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Marlin served with acumen and alacrity with the telephone company for twenty-two years, earning the respect of his peers and superiors for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, while serving with the telephone company, he was compelled to make a positive difference in his community and became active in county government; he served as an Election Commission Chairman, County Coroner, and County Magistrate, in which capacity he served for six years; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, Thomas Marlin was elected Assessor of Property, in which position he served with the utmost distinction for eighteen years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to fulfilling his responsibilities as Assessor of Property, Mr. Marlin also served on the Board of the County Officials Association and as President of the Tennessee Association of Assessing Officials; and

WHEREAS, he was first elected to the vital position of County Executive for Sumner County in 1994; currently serving his second term in office, he is always willing and ready to assist the citizens of Sumner County, and is committed to improving the roadway systems of his area; and

WHEREAS, a highly-regarded public official, Thomas Marlin was honored as Overall Outstanding County Official of the Year for the State of Tennessee in 1988; and

WHEREAS, a conscientious citizen of Sumner County, he has generously volunteered with several civic organizations and programs; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Marlin is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor in Sumner County; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Mr. Marlin is fortunate to share both love and companionship with his wife and sweetheart of forty-six years, Nancy Marlin, their two children, and four grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Thomas and Nancy Marlin are faithful members of the Hendersonville Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS, a former professional wrestler, Mr. Marlin is a talented athlete and sports enthusiast who enjoys fishing and Tennessee football; and

WHEREAS, his remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Marlin is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Thomas Marlin for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Sumner County as a County Executive, salute his years of meritorious service as a public servant, and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.